GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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Sedition Cases
Reddy Shri Ch. Malla;Sreeramulu Shri B.

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of cases registered under sedition law are on the rise in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the number of persons belonging to SC and ST community are higher in terms of chargesheet filed under sedition, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) the total number of women chargesheeted under sedition law, so far,
State-wise; and

(d) the details of the conviction rate of sedition cases and the steps taken to increase the conviction rate?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI HARIBHAI PARATHIBHAI CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (d): Police and public order being State Subject, the data relating to cases registered under sedition and the number of persons chargesheeted etc. are not maintained by the Central Government. However, the National Crime Records Bureau has Started collecting data on cases registered under Section 124A since 2014. NCRB data has not been classified separately for SC/ST. As summarized in Annexure, a total number of 47 cases were registered under sedition in the year of 2014, involving arrest of 58 persons, While 16 persons including 3 women were chargesheeted, only 1 one person was convicted.
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